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Title: DEVICE FOR EXTERNAL FIXATION OF BONE FRACTURES WITH
CLAMPING OF MULTIPLE PINS AND WITH A FIXTURE FOR
APPLYING EXTENSION TO BONE FRAGMENTS

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RESPONSE TO AN OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

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Honorable Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 02/16/2006, the enclosed terminal disclaimer is hereby filed.

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In this Office Action, the Examiner said that claims 5-11 and 13-22 were pending but rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting, over claims 1-22 of U.S. Pat. No. 6,585,736, but that such a rejection could be overcome by a timely-filed terminal disclaimer, together with a showing that the conflicting patent is
25 commonly owned.

A terminal disclaimer is filed herewith. In addition, a copy of an assignment of U.S. Pat. No. 6,585,736, which has been filed with the Assignment Division, is enclosed herewith to provide a showing that the application and patent are
30 commonly owned.

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A check for \$65.00 is included herewith as a Terminal Disclaimer fee. The applicant claims small entity status.

5 The Applicant respectfully submits that the application, including claims 5-11 and 13-22, is now in condition for allowance, and that action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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